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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 14256

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT EG
SUBJ: MUSLIM-COPTIC CONFLICT IN ASSIUT

1. WE HAVE RECEIVED TWO REPORTS OF MUSLIM-COPTIC TROUBLE
IN ASSIUT IN RECENT WEEKS. ALTHOUGH INFORMATION VAGUE AND
UNCONFIRMED, IT IS REPORTED FOR DEPT INFORMATION SINCE AMERI-
CAN COPTIC ASSOCIATION MAY BRING IT TO DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION.

2. ACCORDING TO GREEK CHARGE, WHO RECEIVED INFO FROM A
COPTIC BISHOP IN CAIRO, DISPUTE BETWEEN MUSLIMS AND COPTS
DEVELOPED OVER INSISTENCE BY MUSLIMS THAT COPTS CANCEL
AUGUST 15 COMMEMORATION OF THE ASCENSION OF MARY.
MUSLIMS INVOLVED WERE REPORTEDLY MEMBERS OF TAKFIR WA HEGIRA.
RESULTING VIOLENCE LED TO KILLING TO TWO COPTS AND WOUNDING
OF UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF OTHERS.

3. DURING SAME WEEK, PRIOR TO AUGUST 15, SIMILAR INCIDENTS
OCCURED AT VILLAGE OF AL GANAYM NEAR ASSIUT WHEN TAKFIR
MEMBERS EXTORTED MONEY FROM COPTS. NO REPORT OF KILLING OR
WOUNDING IN THE INCIDENT.

4. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN FURTHER DETAILS.
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